

# 2004 ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

## Governor's Greenways and Trails Stewardship Award



### PURPOSE:

To recognize individuals, businesses, organizations or communities that exhibit a strong commitment to furthering the protection of greenways and/or the development of trails.

### AWARD CATEGORIES:

Greenway/Conservation*	Trail Development*
Individual	Individual
Local Community	Local Community
Regional	Regional
Corporate/Business	Corporate/Business

*\*Projects inclusive of partnership groups suggested here are encouraged.*

### ELIGIBLE NOMINATIONS:

The nominee must have exhibited a commitment to promoting the establishment of greenways and/or trails. Judges may choose to select multiple projects per category in separate regions of the state. Special achievement awards may be designated at the judges' discretion for exceptional contributions to Tennessee greenways and trails.

### JUDGING CRITERIA:

1. Project protects and/or enhances river corridors, scenic vistas, areas with significant natural or cultural value, rail-trail corridors, scenic trails, etc.
2. Project involves the public and is carried out in coordination with neighboring communities, regional initiatives and/or statewide greenway and trail goals.
3. Project demonstrates an innovative approach to greenway corridor protection, trail development, and/or interpretation of greenways and trails
4. Project has resulted in donation of conservation easements or fee simple land for permanent conservation.
5. Project demonstrates commitment by local community to implement a greenways/trail plan, ordinances/zoning that promotes greenway corridor protection and/or trail development.
6. Project demonstrates a commitment from local real estate/land developers to include greenways, trails and open space protection in existing and new developments.
7. Project benefits the economy, recreation, transportation, natural resources and/or other community values.
8. The project is ongoing according to a developed plan and is not just "one-time only".